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Certain Justice of PEACE;

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H—y H—n, Esq;

*But he, by hawling News about,
And aptly using Brush and Clout,
A Justice of the Peace became,
To punish Rogues who do the same.*

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I Sing the Man, of Courage try'd,
O'er-run with Ignorance, and Pride,
Who boldly hunted out Disgrace,
With canker'd Mind, and hideous Face,
The first who made, (let none deny it,)
The Libel-vending Rogues be quiet.

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The Fact was Glorious we must own,
For *Hartley* was before unknown,
Contemn'd I mean,—for who wou'd chuse
So vile a Subject for the Muse?

'Twas once the noblest of his Wishes,
To fill his Paunch with Scraps from Dishes,
For which he'd Parch before the Grate,
Or wind the *Jack's* slow-rising weight,
(Such Toils as best his Talents fit,
Or polish *Shoes*, or turn the *Spit*;
But unexpectedly grown Rich in
Squire *Denville's* Family and Kitchen,
He Pants to Eternize his Name,
And takes the dirty Road to Fame,

Believes

Believes that persecuting Wit,
Will prove the surest way to it ;
So, with a C-l---l at his Back,
The *Libel* feels his first Attack,
He calls it a seditious Paper,
Writ by another *Patriot Drapier*,
Then Raves, and Blunders Nonsense thicker
Than Justices o'er charg'd with Liquor :
And all this with Design, no doubt,
To hear his Praises hawk'd about,
To send his Name thro' ev'ry Street,
Which erst he roam'd with naked Feet,
Well pleas'd to Live to future times,
Tho' but in keen Statyric Rhymes.

So

So * *Ajax*, who, for aught we know,
Was Justice many Years ago,
And minded then no earthly things,
But killing Libellers of Kings,
Or, if he wanted Work to do,
To run a bauling News-Boy thro',
Yet he, when wrap'd up in a Cloud,
Entreated Father *Jove* aloud,
Only in Light to shew his Face,
Tho' it might tend to his Disgrace.

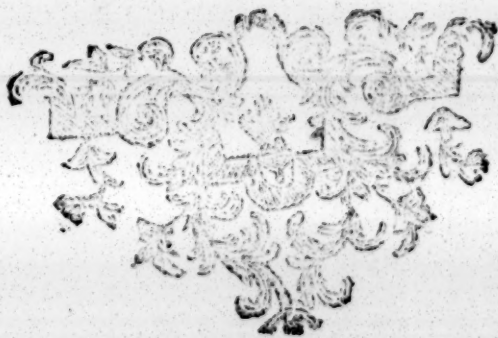
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And so, th' *Ephesian* Villain fir'd
The Temple, which the World admir'd,
Contemning Death, despising Shame,
To gain an ever-odious Name.

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